

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 remain in this application.

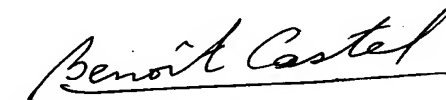
Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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**APPENDIX:**

The Appendix includes the following item(s):

- ☒ - a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☐ - a Replacement Sheet for Figure      of the drawings
- ☐ - a Substitute Specification and a marked-up copy of the originally-filed specification
- ☐ - a terminal disclaimer
- ☐ - a 37 CFR 1.132 Declaration
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- ☐ - a verified English translation of foreign priority document

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

The **invention** relates to an animal growth promoting composition. The liquid solution **includes** 1.1 to 5 % by weight of sorbic acid or a sorbate calculated as sorbic acid, 45 to 93.9 % by weight of formic acid and 5 to 50 % by weight of propionic acid. The **invention** also relates to a method for preparing the composition and to its use.